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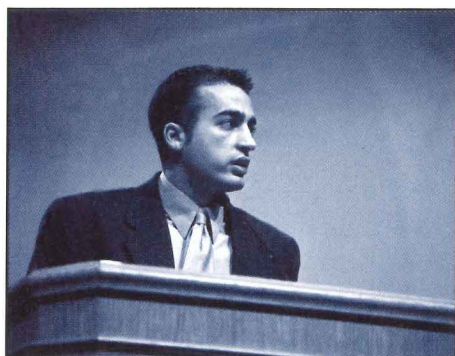
**Scott Lehr Shares
His Heart**

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**—Scott Lehr
SGA Chaplain**

update

Keeping our friends informed of our ministry and our students

December 1999

The Heart of Scott Lehr

Update recently caught up with current Student Government Association (SGA) Chaplain, Scott Lehr. Over the past four years, Cedarville has been able to watch some of the ways God has worked in Scott's life and the life of his family. To gain a more personal insight, we asked Scott to talk about what the Lord has been doing in his life and how that will translate to the students during SGA chapel services.

UPDATE:

What first brought you to Cedarville? Who was instrumental in that choice?

Scott:

Christ saved me during my senior year of high school. I was still planning to go to a university near home. A great friend and mentor of mine, Mike Thomas, said he knew I would go into the ministry as soon as I got saved. I thought that was foolish, but the seed was planted in my mind. I had some questions about "Christian colleges" and whether they were right for me. After I stayed home for a year and took college classes, I realized how spiritually beneficial it would be for me to spend some time at a place like Cedarville.

UPDATE:

When did you begin to feel led to pursue the office of student body chaplain?

Scott:

My sophomore year, SGA Chaplain Jason Malone advised me to consider the possibility for the future. I did not think much of it until late last year when several people asked if I would run. I talked to my fiancée, Shanna Lenhart, and weighed the costs of what it would mean to be SGA chaplain. We decided I would pursue the opportunity and allow God to close the door or keep it open.

UPDATE:

Who has been influential in the process of being chaplain?

Scott:

I already mentioned my fiancée, Shanna. Pastor Rohm (Vice President for Christian Ministries) has been a big influence as I served on Ad 7 [an advisory group that promotes the spiritual climate of campus]. I also get help from a group of guys who challenge me and pray for me concerning the chapel hour each week. These six men keep me accountable and give me advice.

UPDATE:

What influence do you believe the student chaplain has on Cedarville's campus?

Scott:

Being a chaplain is more than speaking on Fridays to the student body in chapel. It's role-modeling and consistent living. It's encouraging others through God's Word and praying for fellow students. The consensus is clear that students desire a genuine heart. I want to communicate to my fellow students simply as Scott.

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Cedarville College

Did You Know?

- This year the average entering freshman earned a high school grade point average of 3.6 and scored 26 on the ACT. They also ranked in the top 50th percentile of their graduating class.
- Approximately 11 percent of incoming freshman were valedictorians of their class.
- This year's freshman class is the largest on record with 815 members.
- Over 75 percent of incoming freshman claimed a personal connection with Cedarville faculty, staff, or alumni as a determining factor for choosing to attend Cedarville.
- The freshman class contains 14 National Merit finalists and semi-finalists.

Please Pray For...

- Students who face decisions concerning returning for Winter Quarter.
- Family and friends of Matt Hadler, a junior engineering major from Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin, who died from injuries sustained from a motorcycle accident.
- The Winter Enrichment Conference with Dr. Joseph Stowell—that the hearts and minds of the College family will be open to the Lord's leading.
- Students who have completed their coursework this fall and will enter the mission field and work force this winter.

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UPDATE:

The Cedarville family has been privileged to watch what God has done in your family, with your father especially.

Scott:

Yes, his story is one that evidences the power of prayer. When Christ saved me in high school, I was ecstatic about my new faith. I wanted to tell everybody. I continually witnessed to my dad and asked the Cedarville College family to pray for his salvation. I remember the Day of Prayer in 1998 when I was sure that my dad was going to accept Christ – but he didn't. However, we all just kept praying and trying to reach him. He began attending the church I interned at during the summer of 1998. I enrolled him in a "welcoming course" that clearly presented the plan of salvation during the first meeting. He missed that first session, and I thought this was another failed opportunity. The pastor leading the "welcoming course" met with my father individually and presented the gospel. When they finally met, I was in my office at the church just praying. A few hours later, I was told that my father had accepted Jesus as his Savior, and I was literally jumping for joy! I came back to Cedarville and shared the good news, and the entire College family was able to share that joy with me. Then, during fall quarter, on October 9, 1999, my father had a serious heart problem and was rushed to the hospital. His aorta had split, and he was losing blood. God performed another miracle in his life and renewed my family's focus on things that are truly important.

UPDATE:

How do you think this experience will influence what you have to say to the student body for the remainder of the year?

Scott:

Death became a reality. I won't dwell on the morbid, but I have always wanted to tell others about Christ, and the urgency in that message is now clearer than ever. Life is frail, and we have to make good use of every minute of every day. I want to challenge the student body to make the most of every opportunity we have to live for Christ.

New Additions to Faculty for 1999-2000

Fifteen professors joined the faculty of Cedarville for the 1999-2000 academic year, bringing the total number of full-time faculty to 166. Of this 15, six graduated from Cedarville. Three have doctorate degrees, bringing the number of faculty with doctorates to 100.

Connie Anderson, M.M.	Assistant Professor of Music
Devon Berry, M.S.N.	Assistant Professor of Nursing
Scott Calhoun, M.A., Ph.D.	Assistant Professor of English
Daniel Clark, M.A.	Assistant Professor of English
Clark Greer, M.A.	Assistant Professor of Communication Arts
Steve Janssen, Th.M.	Assistant Professor of Bible
William Jones, M.A.	Assistant Professor of Biology
John LeBlanc, M.B.A.	Associate Professor of Management
Mischelle McIntosh, M.A., M.S.	Instructor of Communication Arts
David Mappes, M.Div., Th.M., Ph.D.	Assistant Professor of Bible
Gerson Moreno-Riaño, M.A., Ph.D.	Assistant Professor of Political Science
Cynthia Swanson, M.S.N., M.N.	Assistant Professor of Nursing
Susan Terkelsen, M.A.	Assistant Professor of Office Communications
Susan Warner, M.A., Ph.D.	Assistant Professor of Sociology
Kevin Winslow, M.Ed.	Assistant Professor of Education

Putting FLEX into Your Retirement Plans

For years, the charitable gift annuity has been the “bread and butter” planned giving vehicle for donors enjoying their post-retirement years. A charitable gift annuity provides a gift to Cedarville College, and it also creates a current year income tax deduction, a partially tax-free fixed income stream, and capital gains tax avoidance for the donor. The annuity payout rate is based on the ages of the donors at the gift date; the higher the ages, the higher the payout rate. For this reason, the charitable gift annuity has always been a favorite gift vehicle for donors after retirement.

But now there is a new twist, an idea that can make the charitable gift annuity attractive as a retirement planning vehicle for donors still in their working years. A *flexible gift annuity* allows the donor to establish the annuity now and earn a current year charitable income tax deduction, but defer the annuity payments until a future date.

The donor is not required to pre-determine the exact date on which the annuity payments will begin, but must specify only the earliest and latest possible

payment start dates. The range between these dates can be as much as 32 years. The decision to start the annuity payments can be made up to one year prior to the actual start date. The annuity payout rate compounds each year from the annuity date until the payments actually begin. The payment schedule and the annuity rate are then fixed as of the date of the first payment.

The flexible gift annuity allows you to adjust your income as you enjoy your retirement. You can start the annuity payments when additional income is required, or defer to a later date with an increased payout rate. The flexible gift annuity can be used to supplement payments from other retirement plans that are more rigidly structured. The Cedarville College flexible gift annuity provides a way for working-age couples to create retirement income by making a charitable gift. For more information or a customized flexible gift annuity analysis, please call 800-766-1115, write the Office of Planned Giving, P.O. Box 601, Cedarville, OH, 45314-0601, or e-mail bartletd@cedarville.edu or longok@cedarville.edu.

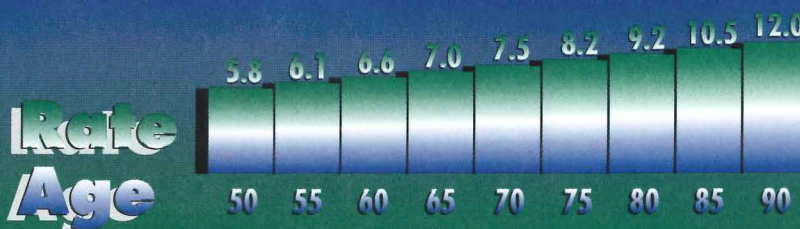
The Charitable Gift Annuity: It is Possible to Give and Receive

Did you know it really is possible to both give and receive? A charitable gift annuity is a contract in which a donor exchanges cash, shares of stock, or equivalent assets for partially tax-free income, a current year income tax deduction, and capital gains tax savings. The amount of the income and the income tax deduction is determined by the age of the donor.

If shares of appreciated stock are exchanged for the gift annuity, the capital gains taxes

that would result from a sale are partially eliminated. In some cases, the income from the gift annuity is greater than the dividend previously paid by the stock. A charitable gift annuity also removes assets from your estate which can save or eliminate estate taxes.

A charitable gift annuity is a great way to show support for the ministry of Cedarville College while creating income for yourself and your spouse. If you would like a detailed gift annuity analysis, please contact the Office of Planned Giving at 800-766-1115.



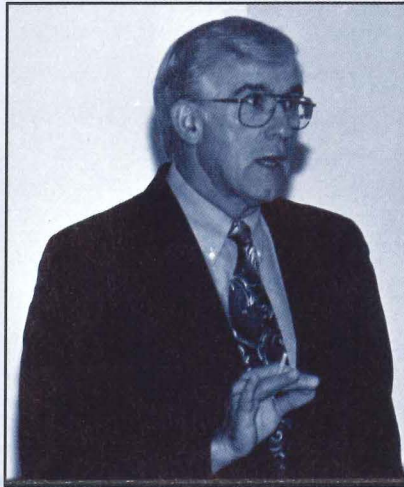
Dr. Joseph Halsey Award Instated for Pre-Law Students

The Cedarville College Office of Planned Giving is pleased to announce the establishment of The Dr. Joseph Halsey Award. This scholarship, created in October 1999 by one of Dr. Halsey's former pre-law students, is an annual award of \$500. The scholarship will go to a full-time student in good standing who is planning to attend law school after graduation.

Dr. Halsey and his wife, Shelia, graduated from Morehead State University in 1965. He took a teaching position at Madison High School in Middletown, Ohio. After earning his masters degree, Dr. Halsey began to seek work at the college level, something he always wanted to do. Dr. Halsey, who had never heard of Cedarville College before, met with Dr. Clifford Johnson in the spring of 1970 and accepted a faculty position the same afternoon.

Dr. Halsey accepted Christ as his Savior during the spring of his senior year in college. Having never attended a Christian school or seminary, he was drawn to Cedarville College because he knew he would have the opportunity to teach his subjects such as government and law through the eyes of God and through His Word.

The latitude to teach within a biblical framework is a special quality of Cedarville College that Dr. Halsey has valued throughout his thirty years here. He also treasures the deep level of caring between brothers and sisters in Christ in the Cedarville College family. During times of crisis for him and his family, friends and colleagues have always gathered around to offer support and encouragement.



Dr. Joseph Halsey

Dr. Halsey has always had a reputation for pushing his students hard, but he feels that God has used him to build into their lives and prepare them for what lies ahead in law school. Most of his former students will say that they never realized what Dr. Halsey did for them until they reach law school and find out how much he prepared them for it. In many cases over the

years, Dr. Halsey, who is also a preacher, has counseled students who realized that God was calling them into careers other than law. He rejoices in being able to help his students find where God wants them to be.

From his students, Dr. Halsey says he has learned how to be patient and how to love. Although he is known for being a demanding professor, he says his years teaching at Cedarville have truly made his heart softer.

"I like that look on the student's face and the expressions that follow when they understand the concept I'm communicating," Dr. Halsey remarks.

"That's what keeps me getting up in the morning. I don't ever want to walk into a classroom where I can't be used as an instrument."

Dr. Halsey says he feels "absolutely overwhelmed" knowing that one his former students has chosen to honor him in this way. "It's the biggest honor to ever come to me academically, even more than my teaching assistantship while I was earning my doctorate at the University of Cincinnati," he states. "My family is also honored. This couldn't have come from anybody who meant anymore to me."

For information on how you can establish a scholarship to help other Cedarville students, contact Kim Longo or David Bartlett at 800-766-1115.

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Calendar of Events

Student Ministry Teams Reinforce Service

The desire of the Division of Christian Ministries is to help our students become better lifelong servants of Christ and others. That is an important piece of their educational experience," shares Brandon Waltz, director of drama teams. "Our desire is to help students see beyond programming to the heart of ministry—serving others."

Cedarville has two touring student drama programs that serve local churches, camps, and Christian schools. The Master's Puppets use puppetry as a dramatic tool to minister to children. The Lifeline Players use dramatic sketches to create programs that are well-received by both adults and teens. Teams travel four weekends a quarter and eight weeks in the summer, ministering in more than 400 churches every year. "The touring team ministries are committed to glorifying God, building up the body of Christ, and fulfilling the Great Commission," continued Waltz. "During the summer of 1999, we had the privilege of seeing many children come to know Jesus Christ. One girl brought her mother as a visitor to Vacation Bible School. Cedarville students on the Master's Puppets team were able to share the gospel with them, and they both became believers before the week was done!"

All ministry teams undergo intensive preparation, spending up to six hours every week readying their material. During Fall Quarter, they also participate in a ministry team weekend retreat comprised of concentrated rehearsals and group training sessions. "We place an emphasis on being personally prepared for an attitude of service. We do not want students to take their service lightly," Waltz shared.

"Some preparation revolves around the technology we use," Waltz continued. "Drama teams rely on both computer and sound support to increase effectiveness. But much of our training revolves around adaptability. Our teams walk into a variety of places and circumstances, and providing parameters by which students can assess how best to minister is key. All this helps them to communicate biblical revelation in such a way that people are motivated to love God more deeply and obey Him more completely."

"Ministry is much more than what happens on a platform. It is dedication to putting others before self and growing to love one another," Waltz concluded. "Serving on a ministry team provides an incredible context for individual growth and maturity, while also encouraging hundreds of believers."



The Cedarville College Lifeline Players minister through a mix of drama and gospel to many churches throughout the area. Many children have come to know Christ through the Players and their Student Ministry counterparts.

December

8-10 Fall Quarter Final Exams

January

5 Winter Instruction begins
6 Trustee Meetings
12-14 Winter Enrichment Conference with Dr. Joseph Stowell III, President of Moody Bible Institute
13 Pastors' Conference with Dr. Joseph Stowell III
14 CAB Concert: Chris Rice
20 Artist Series Concert: Columbus Symphony Orchestra
26 Charter Day Chapel with Dr. Joe Belz, CEO of *World* magazine

February

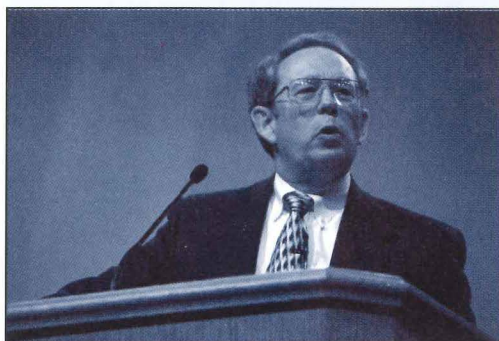
10-12 Winter Drama: *All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten*
11-12 Li'l Sibs Weekend
25-24 Winter Homecoming

March

8-10 Winter Quarter Final Exams
11-19 Spring Break

**Please call
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for any information
regarding activities.**

Quotable Chapel Notes



Jim Rickard '71, founder and executive director of the Stewardship Services Foundation, recently challenged the College family to prioritize their lives in a way that is honoring to the Lord. Based on Matthew 6:19-24 and his extensive finance experience, Cedarville's 1999 Alumnus of the Year made the following observations.

"What are treasures in heaven? Ultimately, they're people. Christians should 'buy' people for heaven. . . . You show me a Christian in control financially, and I will probably show you a Christian in control of other areas of their Christian walk. Conversely, should you show me a Christian out of control financially, I will probably introduce you to a Christian who is struggling in other areas of their Christian walk. Why is that? You can't compartmentalize your life. It is a package . . . but by investing your lives and resources in the Lord's work, you will experience true wealth."

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Around the Campus

Faculty Incentive Grants Promote Hi-Tech Instruction

"In the five years we have awarded faculty incentive grants, we have given over \$30,000 to our own faculty to help them develop new methods of teaching [via CedarNet]," shares Dr. David Rotman, director of computer services and chair of the technology oversight committee (TOC). Both faculty and students benefit from fresh ideas on how to get the most out of CedarNet, the College's award-winning campus computer network.

To receive a grant, faculty projects should enhance existing instruction or replace existing methods. They can include developing Web-based resources, multimedia programs, or implementing commercial software. Grants vary in size with a maximum level of \$1,500.

Seven faculty recipients for 1999 recently presented their finished projects during an open forum on campus. Drs. Sharon and Lee Eimers, professors of education and physical science, respectively, developed a CD-ROM program for teachers, home-schoolers, and missionaries to use for teaching physical science. "We have a heart for putting state-of-the-art teaching materials in the hands of missionaries and parents," explained Sharon Eimers. "But we also wish to provide a tool for our students and graduates to help them integrate technology into their teaching of science in the classroom and show them how they can enhance learning with such tools. We appreciate the College investing in us and our desires in this way."

Theatre Major Takes Stage

"Our theatre major will make Cedarville graduates more marketable to enter a variety of theatre professions which are currently in need of qualified Christian leaders," shared Gary Barker, assistant professor of communication arts and a member of the Equity Actors Association. Barker is thrilled to be an intricate team member of communication arts faculty who proposed this new major. Formalized this fall, the new degree is poised to offer the highest standard of academic excellence.

While 30 students have declared theatre as their major, the impact of the program also includes the 100 non-theatre majors involved in campus dramas. The opening of the Student Life Center next summer will position the program for even greater excellence. The facility will include a 400-seat theater, retractable orchestra pit, dressing rooms, and a make-up lab.



*Cedarville's spring production of
The Man Who Came to Dinner*

"We often talk about gate keepers — those in society who are privileged to mold what others see and hear. Those in theatre are gatekeepers. We have an opportunity to prepare Christian young men and women to be leaders in an area of society that needs to see and hear of Christ," concluded Barker.